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## THIS WILL BE BANNER YEAR FOR OARSMEN

Alamedas Making Arrangements to Come After the Title

Regatta Day, 1912, promises to provide the greatest rowing carnival ever seen in Hawaiian waters. Closely following the announcement that the champion Alameda crew would come down from the Coast and try for the coveted barge championship of the Pacific, comes the news that Puunene will send over two crews to compete. Considering that the Maui oarsmen made their initial appearance in the championship event only last year, this showing is more than satisfactory to the Hawaiian Rowing Association as a whole.

Last year Puunene sent a crew over here with the intention of rowing senior, but at the last minute switched to the freshman race. This year it is probable that the 1911 six will try for senior honors, and that the new material that has been recently developed by the club will be put in the freshman race. Puunene is having a new barge built and will be in far better shape all around than last year.

Bert Lightfoot, secretary of the Hawaiian Owing Association, has just received a letter from the Pacific Coast Association of Amateur Oarsmen, formally notifying the local governing body that the Alameda senior crew annexed the four-oared barge championship of the Coast at the Fourth of July regatta, and that that crew, with two additional men, would compete for what will be generally recognized as the Alameda barge championship of the Pacific. The Pacific Coast Association agrees to the terms outlined by the local men—that the race will be for the championship, which is to remain in the home waters of the crew winning it until contested there and won. The locals agree to contribute \$800 to expenses, and to provide the visitors with a boat.

The original plan, however, of the Oarsmen remaining at home until the last moment, and using the new Hawaiian barge that is being built by Alf Rogers, has been abandoned, as the local clubmen can not spare their new barge, and as it would be unreasonable to ask them to do so. Therefore, the visitors will come down two or three weeks before the date of the race, September 21, and do their preliminary work here.

## MYRTLES HAVE A BIG TURN-OUT AT PRESENT

Over at the Myrtle Boat Club there's something doing every afternoon of the week, and some evenings as well. With 41 men training oars in the senior, junior and freshman ranks, and five coaches shouting advice, abuse and supplications, the Myrtle's hang-out is a place to keep wide awake in, for fear of getting stepped on, or hit in the head with a sweep, or some little thing of that kind.

The coaches are Captain Bechert, Crozier, "Lad" Center, Ewart and Podmore, and they are right on the job with the seniors and freshmen rowing Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and the juniors having the run of the place Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays.

Captain Bechert is getting a regular turn-out, for he has given a number of snappy lectures on the evils of not showing up for practice, and the "never-sweats" don't last very long in the boat.

A committee of three, consisting of Bechert, Crozier, and one other, to be named later, will select the three crews about August 15, and from that time until Regatta Day special attention will be given to form and training.

Following are the Myrtle men turn-

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## Game of Shadow Baseball Played by League Nabobs

Shadow baseball is the very latest sport in Honolulu, and a very interesting exhibition of the new game was given last night, in which President Charles Chillingworth of the Oahu Senior League, Tony Marcalino, Dave Desha, Henry Chillingworth, Bill Raposo, and several others took part. Shadow baseball is something like shadow boxing. You go through the motions, and mow down the opposition, theoretically, but no one gets hurt. It has one big advantage over the stunt with the gloves, however, because several can play it at the same time, and everyone can talk at once.

This shadow game was pulled off prior to a special meeting of the Oahu League, called to decide the momentous question of "why is a balk?" The J. A. C. filed a protest against the way Barney Joy caught runners off the initial sack in the game last Sunday, and tried to get the President of the League to rule Barney's delivery illegal, and so instruct the umpires. There was nothing doing, for President Chillingworth ruled right off the bat that the protest was out of order, and that if a question of interpretation of the rules came up the J. A. C. should have protested to the umpires, and, if turned down, taken an appeal to the league. Henry Chillingworth explained that the J. A. C. were not protesting the game, which was very nice of him, seeing that his team won, but only desired a decision for future reference.

**Lively Game on Street.**  
The shadow stuff was the real thing, though, and everyone got a nice workout before the meeting was called to order. The game took place on King street, and it looked like the old back lot days to see the debaters prancing round, going through the motions of pitching, while tightly

clutching rule books and discoursing the meanwhile on the pros and cons of balking. It was hard for most of the magnates to illustrate their lectures, for Barney, it will be remembered, is a southpaw, and some of the dignified debaters nearly crossed their feet to show how the big Star slasher did and did not throw to first.

Joy was unconfined, and several pedestrians just escaped his left hay-makers. Alexander Hume Ford was among the passers-by, and he couldn't resist stopping to see what this new club was all about. When Senator Chillingworth grazed his ear with a left hook supposed to represent a snappy throw to the bag, and the Honorable A. Q. Marcalino nearly sidestepped him with a right cross, Alexander decided he had horned in at some political gathering, and beat a hasty retreat.

**Up to the Umps.**  
Barney Joy took the protest very seriously, and if the J. A. C. were using the rule of the serpent to get him "all het up" for Sunday's game, they certainly got away with it. The assembled multitude read the rules until they were black in the face, and nothing came of it. It's certain, though, that Messrs. Armstrong and Bettencourt will know all the sections of Rule 34 by heart tomorrow, and it's up to them to see that there is no infringement on either side.

Medeiros will fling for the J. A. C. tomorrow, and Joy will of course officiate for the Stars, although in the heat of argument last night he threatened to view the game from the grandstand. The Stars have lost their crack shortstop, Reeve, and will probably play Kibbey in that position, with "Dude" Miller on the keystone sack.

The opener will be between the Portuguese and Asahis.

## CHILLINGWORTH TO DIRECT BIG CARNIVAL

Senator Charles F. Chillingworth will be the director-general of the 1913 Mid-Winter Carnival and Floral Parade to be held from February 17 to 22. This announcement was made at yesterday's meeting of the Promotion Committee by Chairman Hoogs, who with B. von Danum had been named to secure such a director.

It is expected that under Mr. Chillingworth the historical features of the carnival will have a prominent place and that famous incidents in the history of the islands will be grouped in pageants.

## PAUL R. BARTLETT WINS YALE HONORS

The many friends of Paul R. Bartlett will be pleased to know that he is more than making good at the Yale Law School which he entered about a year ago. The news comes that Mr. Bartlett finished the year with honors that make him eligible for membership in the Chi Tau Kappa, honorary law fraternity. At a meeting of the faculty, Mr. Bartlett was also among the five named on the board of editors of the Yale law journal. During the vacation months Bartlett will enter a law office to secure practical experience to supplement his law school course.

## ENGLISH TENNIS CHAMP LIKES OUR WAY

English lawn tennis players are in a ferment over the fact that the Americans have changed their method of deciding the championship titles by requiring the champion hereafter to play through the tournament. At the close of last season Anthony F. Wilding, the champion of All England and famous victor of the Australian team that captured the Davis cup, entered a protest in which he stated his views upon the title holder standing out for challenge. To sum up Wilding's contention, it allowed of an unfair advantage. Wilding has recently again taken up the subject and in his first attempt has been decided against by the English association. It is the belief, however, that Wilding will continue to urge his contention, especially as the Americans adopted the plan.

After formal action had been taken upon the request of Wilding to be allowed to play through the championship at Wimbledon this year the following letter was sent to him:

"Dear Mr. Wilding—In further reference to your letter asking to be allowed to 'play through' in the championship singles this year I am directed to inform you that the committee does not see its way to accede to your request.

"In arriving at this decision the committee has been influenced by the consideration that the arguments in favor of change in the condition of the championship do not appear to justify departure from the traditional system under which the championships have attained such a preeminent place in the estimation of lawn tennis players throughout the world and of the public.

"From the evidence before it, the committee is not able to decide whether either player in the challenge rounds played, the committee considers as the change has been proposed with the desire of reducing the number of rounds played, the committee considers that the measures it has already taken with this object will have some effect in this direction, and that if these measures are insufficient there are other means which are preferable to the course you propose. I am,

"Yours faithfully,  
"G. W. HILLYARD."

## MOUNTAIN SOLD AT AUCTION

A Swiss mountain, Erbes in the Jura Alps, one of the few that may not be climbed without permission of its owners, covered with valuable timber has been sold at auction for \$6400.

## Tod Sloan Gets a Rise Out Of Lord Lonsdale on Riding

Lord Lonsdale, one of the greatest English authorities on every branch of sport, has replied to the sensation of indictment of the horsemanship of English jockeys made by Tod Sloan after the classic Derby race had been run off the other day.

Every one admits that Sloan's criticisms of jockeys are entitled to be listened to with respect. He is undoubtedly one of the greatest geniuses who ever sat on a horse. He revolutionized jockeyship in this country. It was he who introduced "the American seat"—the style of crouching over the horse's withers instead of sitting almost bolt upright, as Fordham, Archer and the Cannons used to ride.

"The American seat," has been ridiculed with criticism, but whether it is good or whether it is bad, it has been adopted by every jockey who is riding with any success today.

Sloan said:  
"It is surely a reflection on the horsemanship of Englishmen that eight of the twenty jockeys riding in the Derby should be either American, French or Colonial. I can't imagine anything worse than the horsemanship of the English boys. There were some of them I wouldn't allow to ride exercise at the racing stables; more of them ought to be the chef's assistants in the kitchen of a restaurant. No Skill and No Nerve.

"It isn't only that they have no skill but they have no nerve. They are afraid to seize an opening, afraid to take the slightest risk. They just jog along the safest way they can.

"I don't think English horses are as good now as they are in France. The French horses do less work on the training grounds and more on the race-course. In France it is nothing for a horse to run thirty times in the course of a season. If a colt runs in half a score of races in this country everybody says he is being overdone.

"All this coddling of jockeys and coddling of horses is not doing English racing any good. I think England has a good deal to learn from the French methods, where the jockeys have to do real fighting if they want to win a race, and the horses spend their days on the course instead of in the stables."

**Blames American Seat.**  
Lord Lonsdale does not altogether agree with Sloan, but all the same he sees much to find fault with in English riding, and traces the origin of this to the introduction of "the American seat."

"It is not want of pluck or nerve," he said, "that prevents our English boys riding as well as their predecessors. The fault lies in the adoption of the unnatural American seat with the absurdly short leathers. It is this

practice which is playing havoc with riding in this country.

"The position of the jockey is so unnatural that he has to be of abnormal physique if he is to be in a position to ride the race properly.

"It is impossible for a jockey nowadays sitting crouched up in this abominable way, to display the horsemanship with which a man like Mornington Cannon used to win races.

"I watched the introduction of this method of riding with great distrust, and am convinced that it is responsible for many of our present shortcomings, although, as far as the introduction of the new method of carrying the weight well forward is concerned, I am fully alive to its benefits.

"I do not think there is anything in Tod Sloan's accusation against English methods of training, for conditions are so entirely different in France that a comparison of the systems is hardly applicable.

**English Jockey Talks.**  
An English jockey who is at the top of the profession declares Sloan's

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POLO CONTESTS ON.  
This afternoon Oahu and Maui are fighting out the question of polo supremacy on the Moanalua field, in the first match of the inter-island championships of 1912. The game, which promises to be one of the greatest ever played since polo was started here, is scheduled to commence at 5 o'clock, and the chances are that the ball will be thrown in promptly on time.  
The tournament this year is a three-cornered affair, with Oahu, Maui and the Fifth Cavalry the contesting teams. Each team, therefore, plays two matches, and it is necessary for a four to make a clean sweep to be declared the winner. Last year Kauai was represented and Maui was an absentee. The tournament resulted in an even break, Oahu beating Kauai, Kauai beating the Cavalry, and the Cavalry beating Oahu.  
This year's matches will be refereed by Lieutenant Harold Naylor, of the First Field Artillery, who refereed the Oahu-Cavalry series two months ago in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. While insisting on clean polo, Lieutenant Naylor is not as apt to allow technical foul, as some referees, and there is little chance that any of the games at which he officiates will be won or lost by a penalty.

## PLAY FOR TENNIS TITLE STARTS MONDAY

The annual championship tournament of the Hawaiian Lawn Tennis Association opens Monday on the courts of the Beretania, Pacific and Neighborhood Tennis Clubs. With nineteen of the classic players in the islands entered in the men's singles, and seven courts of the three clubs available for play, the preliminary rounds should be run off in record time, bringing the tournament down to eight men, who will then probably fight out for the title on the Beretania courts, for the convenience of the spectators. It is considered a good plan to have plenty of courts

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## HOOGS AND JACK GUARD IN FINALS

Jack Guard and Cyril Hoogs are left to contest for first honors in the Y. M. C. A. tennis tournament, and the finals will probably be played Monday afternoon. As originally scheduled, the tournament was to have been finished this week, but there was a conflict with the polo match, and a postponement was agreed on.

Both the survivors won their semifinal matches yesterday afternoon rather easily, Guard defeating Baldwin 6-3, 6-2, and Hoogs taking Marshall's measure by the same score.

The tournament has been played under the most adverse conditions, and, this considered, has been a success. It would take comparatively little money to put at least one of the Association courts in playable condition, though, and before another event of the kind is staged, this should certainly be done.

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